GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PRIME MINISTER
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government propose to increase the amount from Rs. 2 crore to Rs. 5 crore under Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme in view of infrastructural needs of various region.

(b) if so, the details thereof and

(c) if not the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATVE REFORMS AND PUBIC GRIEVANCES IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS.

(SHRI ARUN SHOURIE)

(a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) MPLADS allocation per year per MP was doubled on 23.12.98. The unutilised balance available in various states aggregates to over Rs.1500 crores. Due to low rate of utilisation and in view of the condition of Government finances, it is neither feasible nor justifiable to enhance the allocations for MPLADS.